

REMARKS

Originally filed claims 14-17 and new claims 27-34 are pending in this application. Claims 14-17 have been amended to improve readability. In addition, new claims 27-34 have been added to recite additional embodiments of the present invention, which are supported by the Specification as follows:

Claim	Specification
27	Page 3, line 25 to Page 4, line 6
28-29	Page 4, line 7-10
30	Page 5, lines 4-28
31	Page 10, lines 1-4
32	Page 7, lines 23-33
33	Page 8, lines 26-27
34	Page 8, lines 28-32

Finally, claims 1-13 and 18-26 have been canceled without prejudice. Applicants reserve the right to file continuing applications directed to the subject matter of these canceled claims. As no new matter has been added by the amendments herein, Applicants respectfully request entry of these amendments at this time.

RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed February 10, 2004, the Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, the invention of Group II (claims 14-17) for prosecution in this application. As a result of the present claim cancellations and additions, however, Group II now includes claims 14-17 and 27-34. In light of the cancellation of claims 1-13 and 18-26, Applicants respectfully submit that the Restriction Requirement is moot.

CONCLUSION

All claims are believed to be in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes that the present amendments still do not resolve all of the issues regarding patentability of the pending claims, Applicants invite the Examiner to contact the undersigned attorneys to discuss any remaining issues.

No other fees are believed to be due at this time. Should any fee be required, however, please charge such fee to Swidler Berlin Shereff Friedman, LLP Deposit Account No. 195127, Order No. 20004.0008.

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